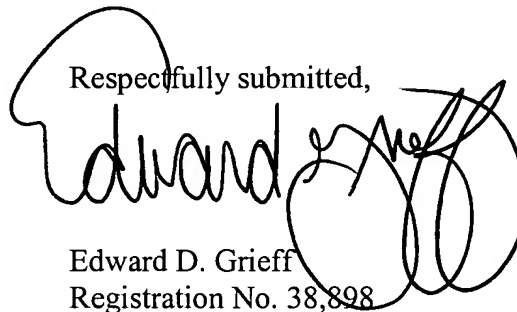


Remarks

Claims 1-45 are pending.

Claims 1-45 are provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over the claims of copending Application Nos. 10/665,517, 10/665,519, 10/665,516 and 10/665,522. Claims 1-45 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being obvious over the claims of US Patent Nos. 6,652,881, 6,589,552, 6,596,317, 6,277,405, and 6,074,670, and US Application Nos. 09/899,026 (issued as US Patent No. 7,037,529 on May 2, 2006) and 10/290,333. Applicants are filing herewith a Terminal Disclaimer. In view thereof, Applicants respectfully request that the rejections be withdrawn.

Applicants respectfully request an early and favorable reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-45.

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